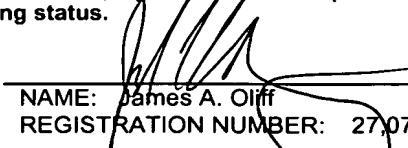


FORM PTO-1390 (REV. 01-2003) <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 122254
		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/519,358	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP02/06572	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE June 28, 2002	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED	
<b>TITLE OF INVENTION</b> <b>VEHICLE-BODY-REINFORCEMENT DISPOSITION STRUCTURE</b>			
<b>APPLICANTS FOR DO/EO/US</b> Michiya IGARASHI; Kenichi BAMB			
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The International Application was filed in English.</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventors (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol>			
<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: 1) Petition for Extension of Time and 2) Response to Notification of Missing Requirements</li> </ol>			

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NAME: Joel S. Armstrong REGISTRATION NUMBER: 36,430				
Date <u>March 17, 2006</u>				

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of

Michiya IGARASHI et al.

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Application No.: 10/519,358

Docket No.: 122254

Filed: March 17, 2006

For: **VEHICLE-BODY-REINFORCEMENT DISPOSITION STRUCTURE**

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**  
**UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/**  
**ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) WITH DECLARATION**

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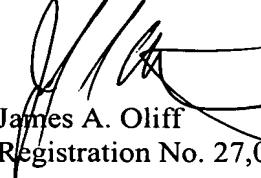
In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) (copy attached) mailed on August 19, 2005, submitted herewith is the executed Declaration of the inventors. Any necessary Designation of Ten Attorneys for Power of Attorney or Transmittal of Power of Attorney and Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) is also attached. Any specification attached to and referenced in the Declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the Office in order to obtain a filing date for the application.

Attached is our Check No. 177774 for  \$130.00  \$65.00 (entitlement to small entity status is asserted) for the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.492(h).

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notification of Missing Requirements. Accordingly, prompt issuance of a Notification of Acceptance and Official Filing Receipt, and prompt examination and allowance of this application are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this paper are attached.

Respectfully submitted,



James A. Oliff  
Registration No. 27,075

Joel S. Armstrong  
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Date: March 17, 2006

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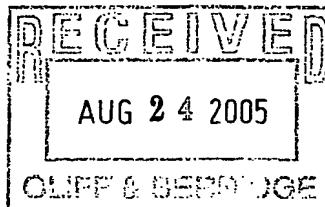
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## NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/28/2004
- English Translation of the IA filed on 12/28/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/28/2004
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 03/10/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/28/2004
- Specification filed on 12/28/2004
- Claims filed on 12/28/2004
- Abstracts filed on 12/28/2004
- Drawings filed on 12/28/2004

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(f) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

## SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

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- \$130 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.*

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